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> Re: Order to Show Cause Tentative Approval ACT/047/007

Gentlemen:

Attached hereto is an Order to Show Cause/Tentative Approval, before the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining, Department of Natural Resources, State of Utah.

It is requested that this notice be published ONCE ONLY, as soon as possible but no later than the $8 \, \text{th}$ day of $\frac{\text{May}}{\text{May}}$ 1980. In the event that said notice cannot be published by $\frac{\text{May}}{\text{May}}$ 8, 1980 , please notify this office immediately by calling 533-5771.

Upon completion of this request, please send proof of publication and statement of cost, in duplicate, to the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 1588 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah 84116.

Sincerely,

Sandy Perez Sandy Perez

Mining Secretary

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BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES in and for the STATE OF UTAH

THE STATE OF UTAH TO ALL OPERATORS, TAKERS OF PRODUCTION, MINERAL AND ROYALTY OWNERS, AND PARTICULARLY ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN TOWN-SHIPS 2 & 3 SOUTH, RANGES 21 & 22 EAST, UINTAH COUNTY, UTAH.

Notice is hereby given that tentative approval was given to Stauffer Chemical Company by the Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining to commence open-pit phosphate mining on Townships 2 & 3 South, Ranges 21 & 22 East, Uintah County, Utah. The name of the mine is the Vernal Operations and the person representing the Company in this matter is Mr. Fred Riding, Stauffer Chemical Company, Vernal, Utah 84078.

Stauffer Chemical Company has fulfilled obligations under the Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975 (Section 40-8, U.C.A., 1953, as amended) and will employ the following reclamation techniques on 15,245 acres which will comprise the total amount of the land affected or approximately 25 acres affected annually. Legal access to the land and minerals affected is by pattented title.

Stauffer Chemical Company has committed to the following in their Mining and Reclamation Plan:

During Operations:

- Topsoil will be stockpiled where present in sizeable and recoverable amounts. Stockpiled topsoil will be utilized for immediate use on the contoured dumps or kept for future use.
- The overburden will be drilled and blasted and removed to a dump area. Most dumps will be located in previously mined areas of the property. Other dumps will disturb new ground.
- 3. The ore will drilled, blasted and loaded into trucks and hauled to the crusher and concentrator. Access roads to the area of mining will be constructed of overburden from the mining operation, or materials from road cuts. A system of French drains will be utilized in crossing drainages. Additionally, access roads will be crowned or sloped to one side to provide drainage of water off the road surface.
- 4. Dust will be controlled on the roads by spraying from water trucks.

- 5. Plans for future road fill structures will be submitted to the Division prior to site preparation and construction and will be designed so that failure will not result from the 100-year flood event.
- Each year 25 acres on the average will be reclaimed and revegetated.

After Operations:

- 1. Extraneous debris, scrap, and unuseable buildings will be removed from the surface.
- 2. All waste dumps will be regraded to a rounded and naturally draining configuration. All attempts will be made to restore the land to a rolling hill topography intermingled with slick rock surfaces and some pit highwalls. Any highwalls which are left will adequately bermed for safety.
- 3. The tailings impoundment area will essentially be left in a non-impounding condition by use of a spillway or spillways, cut through the natural ground. This spillway will be adequately rip-rapped to prevent undue erosion.
- 4. Stockpiled topsoil will be spread over the disturbed surface and revegetation will commence on these areas according to ongoing revegetation efforts during the entire mine life.
- 5. All seeded areas will be monitored until vegetation is established, in accordance with Rule M-10(12).

Reclamation performance surety will be posted prior to final approval of the Reclamation Plan.

Any person or agency aggreived by this tentative decision is hereby requested to submit written protest within 30 days of May 8, 1980, to the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 1588 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah 84116, setting forth factual reasons for his or her complaints, and thereafter, at a time and place heretobe established, appear before the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining to show cause, if any there be, why this plan should not be approved.

Dated this 28th day of April, 1980.

STATE OF UTAH BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

Acting Secretary of the Board

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